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SUBJECT: NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOJ APRIL 25-27

REFERENCE: (A) TOKYO 3703, (B) TOKYO 3704

1. IN ORDER TO CONSIDER FURTHER U. S. REACTION TO GOJ VIEWS
ENCLOSED WITH NOTE VERBALE NO. 71 (REF (B)) IT WOULD BE
HELPFUL IF EMBASSY COULD PROVIDE ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND.

A. REF (A) STATED GOJ ENVISAGES THAT FIRST MEETING
WOULD DISCUSS BASIC FRAMEWORK OF U. S.- JAPAN COOPERATION
CONCERNING FUTURE OF ABCC. ASSUME THIS MEANS THAT ONE OF
FIRST SESSIONS WOULD INCLUDE DISCUSSION OF JAPANESE
PARTICIPATION IN BOTH FINANCIAL AND MANAGERIAL ASPECTS
OF ABCC.

B. CAN EMBASSY ELABORATE ON NATURE OF BUREAUCRATIC
AND ADMINISTRATIVE CONSTRUCTIONS ON GOJ FREEDOM OF ACTION
(REFERRED TO IN PARA 4 OF REF (A)) AND HOW THEY WOULD
AFFECT OUR INTERESTS IN GREATER GOJ PARTICIPATION IN ABCC?

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C. DEPARTMENT AND AEC HAVE NOT RECEIVED A COPY OF COMMUNICATION FROM DR. ALLEN TO NAS (SAME PARA) AND WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY FORWARDING IT ASAP FOR OUR CONSIDERATION.

D. DOES EMBASSY SUGGESTION (SAME PARA) THAT CLOSE STUDY BE GIVEN BY WASHINGTON OFFICIALS TO WAYS IN WHICH GOJ COULD TAKE OVER SOME PARTS OF EXISTING ABCC PROGRAMS IMPLY THAT ABCC PROGRAMS WOULD BE SPLIT UP BETWEEN GOJ AND USG, WITH EACH MANAGING AND FINANCING ITS OWN PROGRAM?

2. CAN EMBASSY PROVIDE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON STATEMENT IN PARA 2 OF JAPANESE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY NOTE VERBALE THAT BUDGETARY SYSTEM IN JAPAN IMPOSES CERTAIN LIMITATION ON EXTENT OF POSSIBLE FINANCIAL INVOLVEMENT OF JAPANESE GOVERNMENT, PARTICULARLY REGARDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES?

3. FYI: AEC EMPHASIZES THAT, ALTHOUGH GOJ NOTE VERBALE AGAIN DEALS PRIMARILY WITH JOINT PARTICIPATION IN MANAGEMENT OF THE RESEARCH ASPECTS OF ABCC, OUR INTERESTS CONTINUE TO CENTER ON THE SUBJECT OF GREATER JAPANESE PARTICIPATION IN ALL MANAGEMENT AND FINANCIAL ASPECTS, INCLUDING ESPECIALLY PERSONNEL MATTERS AND WE WOULD LIKE TO TRY TO REACH SOME UNDERSTANDINGS ON THESE SUBJECTS AT ONE OF FIRST MEETINGS WITH OUR JAPANESE COLLEAGUES BEFORE PROCEEDING TO THE RESEARCH MANAGEMENT ASPECTS. FYI END

4. WITH REGARD TO THE AGENDA SET FORTH IN STATE A-501, IT WAS OUR INTENTION THAT IT INCLUDE DISCUSSION OF SEVERAL DOCUMENTS CONTAINING VARIOUS SUGGESTIONS MADE BY THE U. S. GOVERNMENT AND GOJ, INCLUDING THE U. S. PROPOSED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, JAPANESE TALKING PAPER, AND THE TEXT OF FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE VERBALE NO. 71.

5. DR. BURR NOW FINDS HE WILL BE UNABLE TO TRAVEL TO JAPAN TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETING.

6. THE DEPARTMENT AND THE AEC WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE NAMES AND AFFILIATIONS OF THE JAPANESE DELEGATION FOR THESE DISCUSSIONS. ROGERS
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